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Dear Mr. Klein:

In accordance with our responsibilities under Section 309 of the Clean Air Act, the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations for Implementing NEPA, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6 office in Dallas, Texas, has completed its review of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Mississippi River-Gulf Outlet (MRGO), Louisiana, and Lake Borgne Wetland Creation and Shoreline Protection Project. The purpose of the project is to construct shoreline protection features along the Lake Borgne shoreline to restore and nourish wetlands in the vicinity of Lake Borgne, Louisiana.

EPA finds that the FEIS has adequately responded to our comments offered on the Draft EIS. We have no other comments to offer. If you have any questions, please contact Mike Jansky of my staff at (214) 665-7451 or by e-mail at jansky.michael@epa.gov for assistance.

EPA appreciates the opportunity to review the FEIS. Please send our office two copies of the Record of Decision when it is sent to the Office of Federal Activities, EPA (Mail Code 2252A), Ariel Rios Federal Building, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W., Washington, DC 20004.

Sincerely yours.

Cathy Gilmore, Chief Office of Planning and

Coordination (6EN-XP)